



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Mujtaba et al.

Serial No.: 10/023,960

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For: Method to Define an Optimal
Integrated Action Plan For
Procurement, Manufacturing
and Marketing

Examiner: Deshpande, K

Art Unit: 3623

Commissioner for Patents -
P.O. Box RCE
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Preliminary Amendment and Response Accompanying the Present Request for
Continuing Examination (RCE)

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 30, 2006, in conjunction with the RCE filed herewith, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.